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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Applicant,

ν.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC,

Plaintiff,

ν.

ESTATE OF ELEANOR MYERS a/k/a ELEANOR BLOCK a/k/a LEE BLOCK,

TRUST U/W/O HARRIET MYERS,

MARK E. BLOCK, in his capacity as Personal

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (BRL)

SIPA LIQUIDATION

(Substantively Consolidated)

Adv. Pro. No. 10-05401 (BRL)

Civil Action No. 11-cv-4397 (JSR)

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Representative and Beneficiary of the Estate of Eleanor Myers, and as Trustee of the Trust U/W/O Harriet Myers,

GERALD J. BLOCK, individually and as Beneficiary of the Estate of Eleanor Myers,

MELISSA MYERS, as Beneficiary of the Trust U/W/O Harriet Myers, and

JASON MYERS, as Beneficiary of the Trust U/W/O Harriet Myers,

Defendants.

AMENDED COMPLAINT

Irving H. Picard (the "Trustee"), as trustee for the liquidation of the business of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BLMIS") under the Securities Investor Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78aaa, *et seq.* ("SIPA"), and the substantively consolidated estate of Bernard L. Madoff individually ("Madoff"), by and through his undersigned counsel, for his amended complaint (the "Amended Complaint"), states as follows:

NATURE OF PROCEEDING

- 1. This adversary proceeding arises from the massive Ponzi scheme perpetrated by Madoff. Over the course of the scheme, there were more than 8,000 client accounts at BLMIS. In early December 2008, BLMIS generated client account statements for its approximately 4,900 open client accounts. When added together, these statements purport that clients of BLMIS had approximately \$65 billion invested with BLMIS. In reality, BLMIS had assets on hand worth a small fraction of that amount. On March 12, 2009, Madoff admitted to the fraudulent scheme and pled guilty to 11 felony counts, and was sentenced on June 29, 2009 to 150 years in prison.
 - 2. The within defendants Estate of Eleanor Myers a/k/a Eleanor Block a/k/a Lee

¹ For convenience, future reference to SIPA will not include "15 U.S.C."

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Block (the "Estate"), Mark E. Block in his capacity as Personal Representative of the Estate (collectively, "Estate Defendants"); Trust U/W/O Harriette Myers (the "Trust"), and Mark E. Block in his capacity as Trustee of the Trust (collectively, "Trust Defendants"); Gerald J. Block in his individual capacity, (collectively, with Estate Defendants and Trust Defendants, "Defendants") were beneficiaries of Madoff's Ponzi scheme. The Trustee's investigation has revealed that, between December 11, 2002 and December 11, 2008, Estate Defendants received \$767,337, the Trust Defendants received \$528,000, and Gerald J. Block received \$686,795, for a total receipt of \$1,982,132 in fictitious profits from the Ponzi scheme, meaning that Defendants withdrew more than Defendants invested in Defendants' BLMIS accounts. Accordingly, Defendants have received \$1,982,132 of other people's money. The transfers of fictitious profits to or for the benefit of Defendants constitute avoidable transfers and are recoverable by the Trustee. Upon information and belief, Defendants Mark E. Block and Gerald J. Block as beneficiaries of the Estate, and Melissa Myers and Jason Myers as beneficiaries of the Trust ("Subsequent Transferee Defendants") received subsequent transfers of the avoidable transfers referenced above. To the extent the funds transferred from BLMIS were for the benefit of the Subsequent Transferee Defendants, Subsequent Transferee Defendants are the initial transferees of such transfers and are included in the definition of Defendants for purposes of the allegations herein. This action is brought to recover the transfers of fictitious profits so that this customer property can be equitably distributed among the holders of allowed claims in this SIPA proceeding.

3. This adversary proceeding is brought pursuant to sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(a) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA, sections 105(a), 544, 548(a), 550(a) and 551 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), the New York Fraudulent Conveyance Act (New York

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Debtor and Creditor Law § 270 et seq. (McKinney 2001) ("DCL")), and other applicable law, for avoidance of fraudulent obligations and conveyances in connection with certain transfers of property by BLMIS to or for the benefit of Defendant. The Trustee seeks to set aside such obligations and transfers and preserve and recover the property for the benefit of the BLMIS estate.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. This is an adversary proceeding commenced before the same Court before which the main underlying SIPA proceeding, No. 08-01789 (BRL) (the "SIPA Proceeding"), is pending. The SIPA Proceeding was originally brought in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York as *Securities Exchange Commission v. Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC et al.*, No. 08 CV 10791 (the "District Court Proceeding") and has been referred to the Bankruptcy Court. The reference was thereafter partially withdrawn by this Court. This Court has jurisdiction over this adversary proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 1334(b) and 15 U.S.C. §§ 78eee(b)(2)(A), (b)(4).
 - 5. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A), (H) and (O).
 - 6. Venue in this district is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1409.

DEFENDANTS

7. Eleanor Myers a/k/a Eleanor Block a/k/a Lee Block held a BLMIS account in the name "Eleanor Myers" from on or about May 13, 1994 until her death on January 18, 2007. Her will was probated in the Circuit Court of Miami-Dade County, Florida on March 6, 2007. Letters of Administration, appointing Defendant Mark E. Block as the personal representative of Eleanor Myers's Estate, were issued on March 6, 2007. The name of the subject BLMIS account was changed to "Estate of Eleanor Meyers" on or about February 22, 2007, with the account address reported as Norwich, Connecticut.

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- 8. Defendant Trust U/W/O Harriet Myers is a trust that was formed the laws of the state of New York. Defendant holds a BLMIS account in the name, "Trust U/W/O Harriet Myers" with the account address reported as Livingston, New Jersey.
- 9. Upon information and belief, Willard B. Myers ("Decedent") was Trustee and a beneficiary of the Trust U/W/O Harriett Myers until on or about his death on October 17, 2010. The surviving Trustee of the Trust U/W/O Harriett Myers is Mark E. Block, and the two beneficiaries are Melissa Myers and Jason Myers.
- 10. Upon information and belief, Defendant and Subsequent Transferee Defendant Mark E. Block maintains his residence in Norwich, Connecticut. Defendant is the personal representative and a beneficiary of the Estate of Eleanor Myers and is also the Trustee of the Trust U/W/O Harriet Myers.
- 11. Upon information and belief, Defendant and Subsequent Transferee Defendant Gerald J. Block maintains his residence at Rancho Santa Fe, California. Defendant holds a BLMIS account in the name, "Gerald J. Block" with the account address reported as Rancho Santa Fe, California. Defendant is also a beneficiary of the Estate of Eleanor Myers.
- 12. Upon information and belief, Subsequent Transferee Defendant Melissa Myers maintains her residence at New York, New York. Subsequent Transferee Defendant Melissa Myers is a beneficiary of the Trust U/W/O Harriett Myers.
- 13. Upon information and belief, Subsequent Transferee Defendant Jason Myers maintains his residence at Livingston, New Jersey. Subsequent Transferee Defendant Jason Myers is a beneficiary of the Trust U/W/O Harriett Myers.

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BACKGROUND, THE TRUSTEE AND STANDING

- 14. On December 11, 2008 (the "Filing Date"),² Madoff was arrested by federal agents for violation of the criminal securities laws, including, *inter alia*, securities fraud, investment adviser fraud, and mail and wire fraud. Contemporaneously, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filed a complaint in the District Court which commenced the District Court Proceeding against Madoff and BLMIS. The District Court Proceeding remains pending in the District Court. The SEC complaint alleged that Madoff and BLMIS engaged in fraud through the investment advisor activities of BLMIS.
- 15. On December 12, 2008, The Honorable Louis L. Stanton of the District Court entered an order appointing Lee S. Richards, Esq. (the "Receiver") as receiver for the assets of BLMIS.
- 16. On December 15, 2008, pursuant to section 78eee(a)(4)(A) of SIPA, the SEC consented to a combination of its own action with an application of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation ("SIPC"). Thereafter, pursuant to section 78eee(a)(4)(B) of SIPA, SIPC filed an application in the District Court alleging, *inter alia*, that BLMIS was not able to meet its obligations to securities customers as they came due and, accordingly, its customers needed the protections afforded by SIPA.
- 17. Also on December 15, 2008, Judge Stanton granted the SIPC application and entered an order pursuant to SIPA (the "Protective Decree"), which, in pertinent part:
- a. appointed the Trustee for the liquidation of the business of BLMIS pursuant to section 78eee(b)(3) of SIPA;

² Section 78*III*(7)(B) of SIPA states that the filing date is "the date on which an application for a protective decree is filed under 78eee(a)(3)," except where the debtor is the subject of a proceeding pending before a United States court "in which a receiver, trustee, or liquidator for such debtor has been appointed and such proceeding was commenced before the date on which such application was filed, the term 'filing date' means the date on which such proceeding

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- b. appointed Baker & Hostetler LLP as counsel to the Trustee pursuant to section 78eee(b)(3) of SIPA; and
- c. removed the case to this Court pursuant to section 78eee(b)(4) of SIPA.

 By this Protective Decree, the Receiver was removed as Receiver for BLMIS.
- 18. By orders dated December 23, 2008 and February 4, 2009, respectively, the Bankruptcy Court approved the Trustee's bond and found that the Trustee was a disinterested person. Accordingly, the Trustee is duly qualified to serve and act on behalf of the estate of BLMIS.
- 19. At a Plea Hearing on March 12, 2009, in the case captioned *United States v. Madoff*, Case No. 09-CR-213(DC), Madoff pled guilty to an eleven-count criminal information filed against him by the United States Attorneys' Office for the Southern District of New York. At the Plea Hearing, Madoff admitted that he "operated a Ponzi scheme through the investment advisory side of [BLMIS]." Plea Allocution of Bernard L. Madoff at 23, *United States v. Madoff*, No. 09-CR-213 (DC) (S.D.N.Y. March 12, 2009) (Docket No. 50). Additionally, Madoff asserted "[a]s I engaged in my fraud, I knew what I was doing [was] wrong, indeed criminal." *Id.* Madoff was sentenced on June 29, 2009 to 150 years in prison.
- 20. On August 11, 2009, a former BLMIS employee, Frank DiPascali, pled guilty to participating in and conspiring to perpetuate the Ponzi scheme. At a Plea Hearing on August 11, 2009 in the case entitled *United States v. DiPascali*, Case No. 09-CR-764 (RJS), DiPascali pled guilty to a ten-count criminal information. Among other things, DiPascali admitted that the fictitious scheme had begun at BLMIS since at least the 1980s. Plea Allocution of Frank

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DiPascali at 46, *United States v. DiPascali*, No. 09-CR-764 (RJS) (S.D.N.Y. Aug. 11, 2009) (Docket No. 11).

- 21. As the Trustee appointed under SIPA, the Trustee is charged with recovering and paying out customer property to BLMIS's customers, assessing claims, and liquidating any other assets of the firm for the benefit of the estate and its creditors. The Trustee is in the process of marshalling BLMIS's assets, and the liquidation of BLMIS's assets is well underway. However, such assets will not be sufficient to reimburse the customers of BLMIS for the billions of dollars that they invested with BLMIS over the years. Consequently, the Trustee must use his authority under SIPA and the Bankruptcy Code to pursue recovery from customers who received preferences, payouts of fictitious profits and/or other avoidable obligations and transfers, to the detriment of other defrauded customers whose money was consumed by the Ponzi scheme.

 Absent this or other recovery actions, the Trustee will be unable to satisfy the claims described in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of SIPA section 78fff-2(c)(1).
- 22. Pursuant to section 78fff-1(a), the Trustee has the general powers of a bankruptcy trustee in a case under the Bankruptcy Code in addition to the powers granted by SIPA pursuant to SIPA section 78fff(b). Chapters 1, 3, 5 and subchapters I and II of chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code apply to this proceeding to the extent consistent with SIPA.
- 23. Pursuant to sections 78fff(b) and 78lll(7)(B) of SIPA, the Filing Date is deemed to be the date of the filing of the petition within the meaning of section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code and the date of the commencement of the case within the meaning of section 544 of the Bankruptcy Code.

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- 24. The Trustee has standing to bring these claims pursuant to applicable provisions of SIPA, including sections 78fff-1(a), 78fff(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3), and the Bankruptcy Code, including sections 323(b) and 704(a)(1), because, among other reasons:
 - (a) BLMIS incurred losses as a result of the claims set forth herein:
 - (b) the Trustee is a bailee of customer funds entrusted to BLMIS for investment purposes;
 - (c) the Defendants received "Customer Property" as defined in SIPA § 78lll(4);
 - (d) SIPC has not reimbursed, and will not fully reimburse, the customers for their losses;
- the Trustee is the assignee of claims paid, and to be paid, to customers of BLMIS who have filed claims in the liquidation proceeding (such claim filing customers, collectively, "Accountholders"). To the extent the Trustee has received express assignments of certain BLMIS customer claims, which they could have asserted, the Trustee stands in the shoes of persons who have suffered injury-in-fact, and a distinct and palpable loss for which the Trustee is entitled to seek monetary damages;
- (f) SIPC has expressly conferred upon the Trustee enforcement of its rights of subrogation with respect to payments it has made and is making to customers of BLMIS from SIPC funds; and
- (g) the Trustee has the power and authority to avoid obligations, and avoid and recover transfers, pursuant to sections 544, 547, 548, 550(a), and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, applicable state law including the DCL, and applicable provisions of SIPA, including §§ 78fff(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3).

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THE FRAUDULENT PONZI SCHEME

- 25. Founded in or around 1959, BLMIS began operations as a sole proprietorship of Madoff and later, effective January 2001, formed as a New York limited liability company wholly owned by Madoff. Since in or about 1986, BLMIS operated from its principal place of business at 885 Third Avenue, New York, New York. Madoff, as founder, proprietor, chairman, and chief executive officer, ran BLMIS together with several family members and a number of additional employees. BLMIS was registered with the SEC as a securities broker-dealer under section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. § 780(b). By that registration, BLMIS is a member of SIPC. BLMIS had three business units: investment advisory (the "IA Business"), market making and proprietary trading.
- 26. For certain accounts in the IA Business, BLMIS purported to participate in a capital appreciation/depreciation strategy, depending on whether the customer sought to generate gains or losses. For example, the strategy was executed by either purporting to purchase small groups of securities near lows and then purporting to sell those same securities at highs, or by purporting to short-sell securities near highs and then purporting to repurchase those securities near lows.
- 27. For other accounts, Madoff described the IA Business' strategy as a "split-strike conversion" strategy. Madoff promised these clients that their funds would be invested in a basket of common stocks within the S&P 100 Index, which is a collection of the 100 largest U.S. publicly traded companies. The basket of stocks would be intended to mimic the movement of the S&P 100 Index. Madoff asserted that he would carefully time purchases and sales to maximize value, but this meant that the clients' funds would intermittently be out of the market, at which times they would purportedly be invested in U.S. issued securities and money market funds. The second part of the split-strike conversion strategy was the hedge of such purchases

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with option contracts. Madoff purported to purchase and sell S&P 100 Index option contracts that closely corresponded with the stocks in the basket, thereby controlling the downside risk of price changes in the basket of stocks.

- 28. Although clients of the IA Business received monthly or quarterly statements purportedly showing the securities that were held in or had been traded through their accounts, as well as the growth of and profit from those accounts over time, the trades reported on these statements were a complete fabrication. The security purchases and sales depicted in the account statements virtually never occurred and the profits reported were entirely fictitious. At his Plea Hearing, Madoff admitted that he never in fact purchased any of the securities he claimed to have purchased for customer accounts. *See* Plea Allocution of Bernard L. Madoff at 3, *United States v. Madoff*, No. 09-CR-213 (DC) (S.D.N.Y. March 12, 2009) (Docket No. 50). Indeed, based on the Trustee's investigation to date and with the exception of isolated individual trades for certain clients other than Defendants, there is no record of BLMIS having cleared any purchase or sale of securities on behalf of the IA Business at the Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation, the clearing house for such transactions.
- 29. Prior to his arrest, Madoff assured clients and regulators that he conducted all trades on the over-the-counter market after hours. To bolster that lie, Madoff periodically wired tens of millions of dollars to BLMIS's affiliate, Madoff Securities International Ltd. ("MSIL"), a London based entity substantially owned by Madoff and his family. There are no records that MSIL ever used the wired funds to purchase securities for the accounts of the IA Business clients.
- 30. Additionally, based on the Trustee's investigation to date, there is no evidence that BLMIS ever purchased or sold any of the options that Madoff claimed on customer

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statements to have purchased and sold.

- 31. For all periods relevant hereto, the IA Business was operated as a Ponzi scheme and Madoff and his co-conspirators concealed the ongoing fraud in an effort to hinder, delay or defraud other current and prospective customers of BLMIS. The money received from investors was not set aside to buy securities as purported, but instead was primarily used to make the distributions to or payments on behalf of other investors. The money sent to BLMIS for investment, in short, was simply used to keep the scheme going and to enrich Madoff, his associates and others, including Defendant, until such time as the requests for redemptions in December 2008 overwhelmed the flow of new investments and caused the inevitable collapse of the Ponzi scheme.
- 32. The payments to investors constituted an intentional misrepresentation of fact regarding the underlying accounts and were an integral and essential part of the fraud. The payments were necessary to validate the false account statements, and were made to avoid detection of the fraud, to retain existing investors and to lure other investors into the Ponzi scheme.
- 33. During the scheme, certain investors requested and received distributions of the so-called "profits" listed for their accounts that were nothing more than fictitious profits. Other investors, from time to time, redeemed or closed their accounts, or removed portions of purportedly available funds, and were paid consistently with the statements they had been receiving. Some of those investors later re-invested part or all of those withdrawn payments with BLMIS.
- 34. When payments were made to or on behalf of these investors, including Defendant, the falsified monthly statements of accounts reported that the accounts of such

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investors included substantial gains. In reality, BLMIS had not invested the investors' principal as reflected in customer statements. In an attempt to conceal the ongoing fraud and thereby hinder, delay or defraud other current and prospective investors, BLMIS paid to or on behalf of certain investors the inflated amounts reflected in the falsified financial statements, including principal and/or fictitious profits.

- 35. BLMIS used the funds deposited from new investments to continue operations and pay redemption proceeds to or on behalf of other investors and to make other transfers. Due to the siphoning and diversion of new investments to fund redemptions requested by other investors, BLMIS did not have the funds to pay investors on account of their new investments. BLMIS was able to stay afloat only by using the principal invested by some clients to pay other investors or their designees.
- 36. In an effort to hinder, delay or defraud authorities from detecting the fraud, BLMIS did not register as an investment adviser until September 2006.
- 37. In or about January 2008, BLMIS filed with the SEC a Uniform Application for Investment Adviser Registration. The application represented, *inter alia*, that BLMIS had 23 customer accounts and assets under management of approximately \$17.1 billion. In fact, in January 2008, BLMIS had approximately 4,900 active client accounts with a purported value of approximately \$65 billion under management.
- 38. Not only did Madoff seek to evade regulators, Madoff also had false audit reports "prepared" by Friehling & Horowitz, a three-person accounting firm in Rockland County, New York. Of the two accountants at the firm, one was semi-retired and living in Florida for many years prior to the Filing Date.
 - 39. At all times relevant hereto, the liabilities of BLMIS were billions of dollars

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greater than the assets of BLMIS. At all relevant times, BLMIS was insolvent in that (i) its assets were worth less than the value of its liabilities; (ii) it could not meet its obligations as they came due; and (iii) at the time of the transfers, BLMIS was left with insufficient capital.

THE ACCOUNT AGREEMENTS

- 40. According to BLMIS's records, multiple accounts (Nos. 1CM289, 1CM316, 1B0297) were maintained with BLMIS, as set forth on Exhibit A (collectively, the "Accounts"). Upon information and belief, for at least two accounts (Nos. 1CM289 and 1CM316), a "Customer Agreement," an "Option Agreement," and/or a "Trading Authorization Limited to Purchases and Sales of Securities and Options" (collectively, the "Account Agreements") were executed and delivered to BLMIS at its headquarters at 885 Third Avenue, New York, New York. Additionally, there were periodic customer statements, confirmations, and other communications made by BLMIS or Madoff and sent to Defendants (together with the Account Agreements, the "Account Documents").
- 41. The Account Agreements were to be performed in New York, New York through securities trading activities that would take place in New York, New York. The Account was held in New York, New York, and Defendants sent funds to BLMIS and/or to BLMIS's account at JPMorgan Chase & Co., Account #xxxxxxxxxxx1703 (the "BLMIS Bank Account") in New York, New York for application to the Account and the purported conducting of trading activities. Between the date the Account was opened and the Filing Date, Defendants made deposits to BLMIS through checks and/or wire transfers into the BLMIS Bank Account and/or received inter-account transfers from other BLMIS accounts.

THE OBLIGATIONS

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- 42. To the extent BLMIS or Madoff incurred obligations to the Defendant in connection with the Account Documents or any statements or representations made by BLMIS or Madoff, such obligations (collectively, the "Obligations") are avoidable under sections 105(a), 544(b) and 548(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, applicable provisions of DCL sections 273-279, and applicable provisions of SIPA, including §§ 78fff(b) and 78fff-1(b). BLMIS or Madoff incurred the Obligations as an integral part of and in furtherance of BLMIS's Ponzi scheme.
- 43. To the extent BLMIS or Madoff incurred the Obligations, such Obligations were incurred with actual intent to hinder, delay, or defraud then existing and/or future creditors.
- 44. To the extent BLMIS or Madoff incurred the Obligations, such Obligations were incurred when BLMIS was insolvent, had unreasonably small capital, and/or was unable to pay its debts as they matured. BLMIS was a massive Ponzi scheme, which, as a matter of law, was insolvent from its inception and, therefore, never capable of fulfilling its obligations to its creditors.

THE TRANSFERS

- 45. During the six years prior to the Filing Date, BLMIS made transfers (collectively, the "Transfers") to Defendants of \$1,982,132. The Transfers were made to or for the benefit of Defendants and are set forth in Columns 10 and 11 on Exhibit B annexed hereto.
 - 46. The Transfers constitute fictitious profits supposedly earned in the Account, but, in reality, were other people's money.
- 47. The Transfers that occurred between December 11, 2002 and December 11, 2008 are referred to hereafter as the "Six Year Transfers." The Six Year Transfers are avoidable and recoverable under sections 544(b), 550(a)(1) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, applicable

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provisions of SIPA, particularly SIPA section 78fff-2(c)(3), and DCL sections 273-279, and total \$1,982,132. *See* Exhibit B, Column 11. The Six Year Transfers are also avoidable to the extent they were made on account of the avoidable Obligations.

- 48. The Transfers that occurred between December 11, 2006 and December 11, 2008 are referred to hereafter as the "Two Year Transfers." The Two Year Transfers are avoidable and recoverable under sections 548(a), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code and applicable provisions of SIPA, particularly SIPA section 78fff-2(c)(3) and total \$1,429,293. *See* Exhibit B, Column 10. The Two Year Transfers are also avoidable to the extent they were made on account of the avoidable Obligations.
- 49. On information and belief, some of the Transfers were subsequently transferred by Estate Defendants to Subsequent Transferee Defendants Mark E. Block and Gerald J. Block, and by Trust Defendants to Subsequent Transferee Defendants Melissa Myers and Jason Myers (collectively, the "Subsequent Transfers").
- 50. The Subsequent Transfers, or the value thereof, are recoverable from Subsequent Transferee Defendants Mark E. Block, Gerald J. Block, Melissa Myers, and Jason Myers pursuant to §550(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 51. The Trustee's investigation is ongoing and the Trustee reserves the right to
 (i) supplement the information regarding the Obligations, Transfers, Subsequent Transfers, and
 any additional transfers and (ii) seek recovery of such additional transfers.
- 52. To the extent that any of the avoidance and/or recovery counts may be inconsistent with each other, they are to be treated as being pled in the alternative.

CUSTOMER CLAIMS

53. On or about June 11, 2009, Trust Defendants filed a customer claim with the Trustee which the Trustee has designated as Claim #009521 (the "Customer Claim").

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- 54. On or about October 19, 2009, the Trustee issued a Notice of Trustee's Determination of Claim to Trust Defendants (the "Determination") with respect to the Customer Claim. A copy of the Determination is attached hereto as Exhibit C.
- 55. On or about November 11, 2009, the Trust Defendants filed an objection to the Determination with the Court (the "Claims Objection").
- 56. On December 23, 2008, this Court entered an Order on Application for Entry of an Order Approving Form and Manner of Publication and Mailing of Notices, Specifying Procedures for Filing, Determination and Adjudication of Claims, and Providing Other Relief ("Claims Procedures Order"; Docket No. 12). The Claims Procedures Order includes a process for determination and allowance of claims under which the Trustee has been operating. The Trustee intends to resolve the Customer Claim and Claims Objection to the Trustee's determination of such claim through a separate hearing as contemplated by the Claims Procedures Order.

<u>COUNT ONE</u> FRAUDULENT TRANSFERS AND OBLIGATIONS – 11 U.S.C. §§ 548(a)(1)(A), 550(a) AND 551

- 57. To the extent applicable, the Trustee incorporates by reference the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs of this Amended Complaint as if fully rewritten herein.
 - 58. Each of the Two Year Transfers was made on or within two years before the Filing Date.
 - 59. Each of the Two Year Transfers constituted a transfer of an interest of BLMIS in property within the meaning of section 101(54) of the Bankruptcy Code and pursuant to section 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA.
 - 60. Each of the Two Year Transfers and the Obligations was made or incurred by BLMIS with the actual intent to hinder, delay or defraud some or all of BLMIS's then existing

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and/or future creditors.

- 61. Each of the Two Year Transfers constitutes a fraudulent transfer avoidable by the Trustee pursuant to section 548(a)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code and recoverable from Defendants pursuant to section 550(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and section 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA.
- 62. The Obligations are avoidable by the Trustee pursuant to section 548(a)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code and applicable provisions of SIPA including sections 78fff(b) and 78fff-1(b).
- 63. As a result of the foregoing, pursuant to sections 548(a)(1)(A), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b), and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA, as applicable, the Trustee is entitled to a judgment against Defendant: (a) avoiding and preserving the Two Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Two Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Two Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS.

<u>COUNT TWO</u> FRAUDULENT TRANSFERS AND OBLIGATIONS – 11 U.S.C. §§ 548(a)(1)(B), 550(a) <u>AND 551</u>

- 64. To the extent applicable, the Trustee incorporates by reference the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs of this Amended Complaint as if fully rewritten herein.
- 65. Each of the Two Year Transfers was made on or within two years before the Filing Date.
- 66. Each of the Two Year Transfers constituted a transfer of an interest of BLMIS in property within the meaning of section 101(54) of the Bankruptcy Code and pursuant to section 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA.
- 67. BLMIS received less than reasonably equivalent value in exchange for each of the Two Year Transfers and the Obligations.

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- 68. At the time of each of the Two Year Transfers and at all times relevant to the Obligations, BLMIS was insolvent, or became insolvent as a result of the Two Year Transfers.
- 69. At the time of each of the Two Year Transfers and at all times relevant to the Obligations, BLMIS was engaged in a business or a transaction, or was about to engage in a business or transaction, for which any property remaining with BLMIS was an unreasonably small capital.
- 70. At the time BLMIS made each of the Two Year Transfers, and at all times relevant to the Obligations, BLMIS had incurred, was intending to incur, or believed that it would incur debts beyond its ability to pay them as the debts matured.
- 71. Each of the Two Year Transfers constitutes a fraudulent transfer avoidable by the Trustee pursuant to section 548(a)(1)(B) of the Bankruptcy Code and recoverable from Defendants pursuant to section 550(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and section 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA.
- 72. The Obligations are avoidable by the Trustee pursuant to section 548(a)(1)(B) of the Bankruptcy Code and applicable provisions of SIPA including sections 78fff(b) and 78fff-1(b).
- 73. As a result of the foregoing, pursuant to sections 548(a)(1)(B), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA, as applicable, the Trustee is entitled to a judgment against Defendant: (a) avoiding and preserving the Two Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Two Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Two Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS.

<u>COUNT THREE</u> <u>FRAUDULENT TRANSFERS AND OBLIGATIONS – NEW YORK DEBTOR AND CREDITOR LAW §§ 276, 278 AND/OR 279 AND 11 U.S.C. §§ 544(b), 550(a) AND 551</u>

74. To the extent applicable, the Trustee incorporates by reference the allegations

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contained in the previous paragraphs of this Amended Complaint as if fully rewritten herein.

- 75. At all times relevant to the Six Year Transfers and Obligations, there have been and are one or more creditors who have held and still hold matured or unmatured unsecured claims against BLMIS that were and are allowable under section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code or that were and are not allowable only under section 502(e) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 76. Each of the Six Year Transfers constituted a conveyance by BLMIS as defined under DCL section 270.
- 77. Each of the Six Year Transfers and Obligations was made by BLMIS with the actual intent to hinder, delay, or defraud then existing and/or future creditors of BLMIS. BLMIS made each of the Six Year Transfers and incurred the Obligations to or for the benefit of Defendants in furtherance of a fraudulent investment scheme.
- 78. As a result of the foregoing, pursuant to DCL sections 276, 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA, as applicable, the Trustee is entitled to a judgment against Defendant:

 (a) avoiding and preserving the Six Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Six Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Six Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS.

COUNT FOUR FRAUDULENT TRANSFERS AND OBLIGATIONS – NEW YORK DEBTOR AND CREDITOR LAW §§ 273 AND 278 AND/OR 279 AND 11 U.S.C. §§ 544(b), 550(a) AND 551

- 79. To the extent applicable, the Trustee incorporates by reference the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs of this Amended Complaint as if fully rewritten herein.
- 80. At all times relevant to the Six Year Transfers and Obligations, there have been and are one or more creditors who have held and still hold matured or unmatured unsecured

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claims against BLMIS that were and are allowable under section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code or that were and are not allowable only under section 502(e) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 81. Each of the Six Year Transfers constituted a conveyance by BLMIS as defined under DCL section 270.
- 82. BLMIS did not receive fair consideration for any of the Six Year Transfers or the Obligations.
- 83. BLMIS was insolvent, or became insolvent as a result of the Six Year Transfers or the Obligations.
- 84. As a result of the foregoing, pursuant to DCL sections 273, 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA, as applicable, the Trustee is entitled to a judgment against Defendant:

 (a) avoiding and preserving the Six Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Six Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Six Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS.

<u>COUNT FIVE</u> <u>FRAUDULENT TRANSFER – NEW YORK DEBTOR AND CREDITOR LAW §§ 274,</u> 278 AND/OR 279 AND 11 U.S.C. §§ 544(b), 550(a) AND 551

- 85. To the extent applicable, the Trustee incorporates by reference the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs of this Amended Complaint as if fully rewritten herein.
- 86. At all times relevant to the Six Year Transfers, there have been and are one or more creditors who have held and still hold matured or unmatured unsecured claims against BLMIS that were and are allowable under section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code or that were and are not allowable only under section 502(e) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 87. Each of the Six Year Transfers constituted a conveyance by BLMIS as defined under DCL section 270.

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- 88. BLMIS did not receive fair consideration for any of the Six Year Transfers.
- 89. At the time BLMIS made each of the Six Year Transfers, BLMIS was engaged or was about to engage in a business or transaction for which the property remaining in its hands after each of the Six Year Transfers was an unreasonably small capital.
- 90. As a result of the foregoing, pursuant to DCL sections 274, 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and section78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA, the Trustee is entitled to a judgment against Defendant: (a) avoiding and preserving the Six Year Transfers, (b) directing that the Six Year Transfers be set aside, and (c) recovering the Six Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS.

COUNT SIX FRAUDULENT TRANSFERS AND OBLIGATIONS – NEW YORK DEBTOR AND CREDITOR LAW §§ 275, 278 AND/OR 279 AND 11 U.S.C. §§ 544(b), 550(a) AND 551

- 91. To the extent applicable, the Trustee incorporates by reference the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs of this Amended Complaint as if fully rewritten herein.
- 92. At all times relevant to the Six Year Transfers and Obligations, there have been and are one or more creditors who have held and still hold matured or unmatured unsecured claims against BLMIS that were and are allowable under section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code or that were and are not allowable only under section 502(e) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 93. Each of the Six Year Transfers constituted a conveyance by BLMIS as defined under DCL section 270.
- 94. BLMIS did not receive fair consideration for any of the Six Year Transfers or Obligations.
- 95. At the time BLMIS made each of the Six Year Transfers or incurred the Obligations, BLMIS had incurred, was intending to incur, or believed that it would incur debts beyond its ability to pay them as the debts matured.

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96. As a result of the foregoing, pursuant to DCL sections 275, 278 and/or 279 and sections 544(b), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b), and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA, as applicable, the Trustee is entitled to a judgment against Defendant:

(a) avoiding and preserving the Six Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Six Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Six Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS.

COUNT SEVEN RECOVERY OF SUBSEQUENT TRANSFER – NEW YORK DEBTOR AND CREDITOR LAW §§ 278 AND/OR 279 AND 11 U.S.C. §§ 544, 548, 550(a) AND 551

- 97. To the extent applicable, the Trustee incorporates by reference the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs of this Amended Complaint as if fully rewritten herein.
- 98. Each of the Transfers is avoidable under sections 544 and 548 of the Bankruptcy Code, DCL sections 273, 274, 275 and/or 276 and section 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA.
- 99. On information and belief, the Subsequent Transfers were subsequently transferred by Defendants to Subsequent Transferee Defendants.
- 100. Each of the Subsequent Transfers was made directly or indirectly to Subsequent Transferee Defendants.
- 101. Subsequent Transferee Defendants are immediate or mediate transferees of the Subsequent Transfers from Defendants.
- 102. As a result of the foregoing and the avoidance of the within Transfers, pursuant to DCL sections 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 548(a), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and section 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA, the Trustee is entitled to a judgment against Subsequent Transferee Defendants (a) avoiding and preserving the Subsequent Transfers, (b) directing that the Subsequent Transfers be set aside, and (c) recovering the Subsequent Transfers, or the value thereof, from Subsequent Transferee Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS.

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WHEREFORE, the Trustee respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment in favor of the Trustee and against Defendants as follows:

- i. On the First Claim for Relief, pursuant to sections 548(a)(1)(A), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA: (a) avoiding and preserving the Two Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Two Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Two Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS;
- ii. On the Second Claim for Relief, pursuant to sections 548(a)(1)(B), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA:

 (a) avoiding and preserving the Two Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Two Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Two Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS;
- iii. On the Third Claim for Relief, pursuant to DCL sections 276, 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA: (a) avoiding and preserving the Six Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Six Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Six Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS;
- iv. On the Fourth Claim for Relief, pursuant to DCL sections 273, 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA: (a) avoiding and preserving the Six Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Six Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Six Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the

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estate of BLMIS;

- v. On the Fifth Claim for Relief, pursuant to DCL sections 274, 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and section 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA:

 (a) avoiding and preserving the Six Year Transfers, (b) directing the Six Year Transfers be set aside, and (c) recovering the Six Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS;
- vi. On the Sixth Claim for Relief, pursuant to DCL sections 275, 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and sections 78fff(b), 78fff-1(b) and 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA: (a) avoiding and preserving the Six Year Transfers, (b) avoiding the Obligations, (c) directing that the Six Year Transfers and Obligations be set aside, and (d) recovering the Six Year Transfers, or the value thereof, from Defendants for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS;
- vii. On the Seventh Claim for Relief as a result of the avoidance of the within Transfers, pursuant to DCL section 278 and/or 279, sections 544(b), 548, 550(a) and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code, and section 78fff-2(c)(3) of SIPA: (a) avoiding and preserving the Subsequent Transfers, (b) directing that the Subsequent Transfers be set aside, and (c) recovering the Subsequent Transfers, or the value thereof, from Subsequent Transferee Defendants, for the benefit of the estate of BLMIS;
- viii. On all Claims for Relief, pursuant to federal common law and N.Y. CPLR 5001 and 5004, awarding the Trustee prejudgment interest from the date on which the Transfers were received;
- ix. On all Claims for Relief, establishing a constructive trust over the proceeds of the Transfers in favor of the Trustee for the benefit of BLMIS's estate;

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- x. On all Claims for Relief, assigning of income tax refunds of Defendants from the United States, state and local governments paid on fictitious profits during the course of the scheme;
- xi. On all Claims for Relief, awarding the Trustee all applicable interest, costs, and disbursements of this action; and
- xii. On all Claims for Relief, granting the Trustee such other, further, and different relief as the Court deems just, proper and equitable.

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